COMMITTEE MINUTES for ADMINISTRATION & REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Convened: 10:18 a.m. Recessed: Reconvened: Adjourned: 11:34 a.m.

Present: Senators Flynn-RM, Hansen, Zieman

Representatives Raecker-CH, Sievers-VC, Chiodo, Elgin, Klemme, O'Brien, Taylor TE, Tyrrell

Absent:

Excused: Representative Connors-RM

The subcommittee meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Representative Raecker. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by a motion from Representative Klemme. Roll was taken.

The first budget presentation of the day was from Elizabeth Buck for the Office of the Governor. In addition to the listed budget, she requested one additional position at Terrace Hill- another assistant to First Lady Vilsack.

The Auditor of the State budget presentation was given by Warren Jenkins. He reviewed the budget, emphasizing the fact that 88% of the department's expenditures are for employees. He also expressed concern over the number of employees leaving for other jobs- primarily due to pay. The department is considering the use of a 'Retention Bonus' to encourage long-term employment within the department. In addition, with the reduction of their budget last year, computers have not been updated and the department would like to be able to update computers this year.

The Department of Management budget presentation was given by Cynthia Eisenhauer, Director of the Department of Management. In her review of the budget request. Director Eisenhauer stated there is no increase. Under "General Office", she is also requesting the return of one FTE with no additional money needed.

The last budget presentation was for the Ethics and Campaign Disclosure given by Director Kay Williams. Representative Raecker informed her of the omission of the Schedule 6 in the "blue budget book". In review of the requests, Director Williams discussed the request for an increase in classification for two positions, money to cover Blue Cross/Blue Shield increases, computer cycling and, an additional printer for use by the public in the Disclosure Office.

The meeting was adjourned by a motion from Representative T. Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Frank, secretary

Representative Raecker